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I am running for TICA Ragdoll Breed Committee for 2021.

Being elected to the committee is an honor and a responsibility that I take very seriously.

The Ragdoll breed has grown in popularity and numbers in huge leaps over the last few years. It is important that we do not lose sight of the reasons why this breed is so well loved. The deep blue eyes, the sweet expression and temperament, the silky soft coat that requires very little care, the big long body for lots of hugs... Breeders all over the world have worked since the beginning of the breed to make the Ragdoll everything anyone could want in a cat. We need to be careful not to throw out or dismiss any of the traits that are so important to the essence of this breed, at the same time addressing trends that are harmful to our future.

The breed committee is the “keeper” of the standard. I have been on the committee for 4 terms. We have tried to address the concerns of the breeders as well as the judges in making the terminology in the standard easier to understand and in compliance with TICA standardized terminology, not changing the breed but enhancing the understanding of what the breed should be. Making a breed seminar that reflects the new terminology to help put images with words is the next step in maintaining our beautiful breed and helping both new and old breeders to understand type and structure as it is described in the standard.

Thank you for your continued support!!

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